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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Title page,

Item [54], Title, should read:

-- **HIGH-PRESSURE METAL PIPE HAVING CONNECTING HEAD AND  
METHOD OF FORMING THE CONNECTING HEAD AS WELL AS SLEEVE  
WASHER FOR THE CONNECTING HEAD --**

Signed and Sealed this

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jon W. Dudas". The signature is stylized with a large, looped initial "J" and a distinct "D" at the end.

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